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The Honorable Deborah Taylor Tate, Commissioner  
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445 12th Street, SW  
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Re: In the Matter of High-Cost Universal Service Support, WC Docket No. 05-337; In the Matter of Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, CC Docket No 96-45

Dear Commissioner Tate:

I am writing on behalf of Oregon-Idaho Utilities, Inc. and Humboldt Telephone Company to express support for the recommendation of the Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service to place an interim, emergency cap on the amount of high-cost universal service support that competitive eligible telecommunications carriers (CETCs) may receive.

Oregon-Idaho and Humboldt are incumbent rural local exchange companies that serve approximately 1,900 customers who are spread across two service areas in Oregon, Idaho, and Nevada that total over 10,000 square miles. As high-cost ILECs, these companies depend on universal service funding to meet the costs of providing local exchange service and broadband access service to our rural customers at affordable rates.

The Joint Board's recommendation correctly recognizes that CETCs are the source of the uncontrolled growth in universal service funding and proposes to place a funding cap on CETC support, pending development of long-term solutions to universal service issues. Unless the fund growth is stabilized, the entire universal service support system is threatened, which could have dire consequences for rural America and for the nation as a whole. We appreciate the Joint Board's leadership on this issue and fully support its recommendation.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey F. Beck, President

OREGON-IDAHO UTILITIES, INC.  
HUMBOLDT TELEPHONE COMPANY  
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jbeck@or-id.com

cc: Chairman Kevin J Martin  
  
Commissioner Jonathan Adelstein  
  
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Sincerely,  
Kay Flesner

Kay Flesner  
Adams Telephone Coop, Inc.  
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Sincerely,

David W. Cox  
V.P. of Administration  
Moultrie Independent Telephone Company

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Sincerely,

Michelle Wright  
Adams Telephone Co-Operative

cc: Chairman Kevin J. Martin  
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Commissioner Michael J. Copps  
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The TO: E-mail address: Deborah.Tate@fcc.gov

The CC: Address: Kevin.Martin@fcc.gov; Jonathan.Adelstein@fcc.gov; ichael.Copps@fcc.gov;  
Robert.McDowell@fcc.gov

The Subject Line: I SUPPORT THE CETC USF CAP-----

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Sincerely,

Gwen Kunz

Accounting Dept.

Home Telephone Co.

St. Jacob, IL 62281

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Sincerely,

Paula Monari  
Mid Century Telephone Cooperative

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Sincerely,

Shelly Shawgo

Mid Century Telephone

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Sincerely,

Eric Lee

Adams Telephone Co-Operative

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Sincerely,

Tammy Barnard  
Mid Century Telephone Company

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Sincerely,

Sherry Fleisher  
Mid Century Telephone Cooperative

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Sincerely,

Kathy L. Bruns  
Adams Telephone Co-Operative  
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Golden, IL 62339  
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Sincerely,

Andy Smith

Central Office Supervisor

Adams Telephone Co-Operative

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Sincerely,

Leanne Utters  
Adams Telephone Co-Operative

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Sincerely,

Troy Friday

McDonough Telephone Cooperative

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Sincerely,

Lisa Winberry  
BPS Telephone Company  
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Bernie, MO 63822-0550  
573-293-2277  
Fax: 573-293-2299

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Sincerely,

Vicki Ingram

KanOkla Telephone Association

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Sincerely,

Vickie L. Colaw  
Spruce Knob Seneca Rocks Telephone, Inc.

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Sincerely,

Kevin Hranicka  
Van Buren Telephone Company, Inc.  
617 First Street  
Keosauqua, IA 52565-0430

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Tammy Marquart

Federated Telephone Cooperative

Chokio, Minnesota 56221

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sgaetz@egyptian.net wrote on 6/8/2007 11:40:56 AM :

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Sheila J. Gaetz  
Egyptian Telephone Coop Assn

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David Lutz  
IT Dept.  
McDonough Telephone Cooperative  
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Colchester, IL 62326  
309-776-3211

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